THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) Yes.

(b) to (d) There are 36 female staff members in Passport Office, Hyderabad including two women officers, out of the total staff strength of 112. Female staff are deployed at separate counters meant for ladies only as well as in other sections of Passport Office, Hyderabad.

Indians in foreign jails

1996. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that many Indians are harassed and are languishing in jails abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof, country-wise; and

(c) the action taken to bring them back and to ensure such incidents do not re-occur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) and (c) There are some Indians in jails abroad for violation of local laws. Indian Missions abroad provide all possible assistance to Indian nationals in foreign jails, including their early repatriation to India where possible, speedy trail, proper treatment and living conditions and ensure that there is no miscarriage of justice.

(b) A Statement providing desired information in respect of 103 countries is enclosed.

Statement

Indians in foreign jails

Sl.No.	Country	Number of Indians languishing in foreign jails
1	2	3
1.	Algeria	Nil
2.	Argentina	3 under house arrest
3.	Armenia	1
4.	Australia	1
5.	Austria	Nil

1	2	3
6.	Azerbaijan	Nil
7.	Bahrain	119
8.	Bangladesh	No data available
9.	Belgium	14
10.	Belize	Nil
11.	Bolivia	Nil
12.	Botswana	Nil
13.	Brazil	Nil
14.	Brunei	Nil
15.	Bulgaria	Nil
16.	Burkina Faso	Nil
17.	Cambodia	1
18.	Canada	3
19.	Central African Republic	Nil
20.	Chile	Nil
21.	China	Nil
22.	Colombia	Nil
23.	Comoros	Nil
24.	Cote D'Ivoire	Nil
25.	Croatia	Nil
26.	Cuba	1
27.	Cyprus	Nil
28.	Czech Republic	Nil
29.	Denmark	9
30.	Djibouti	Nil
31.	El Salvador	Nil
32.	Ethiopia	Nil
33.	Fiji	Nil
34.	France	Nil
35.	Germany	Nil
36.	Ghana	Nil
37.	Guatemala	Nil
38.	Guinea	Nil

1	2	3		
39.	Guyana	Nil		
40.	Honduras	Nil		
41.	Hong Kong	39		
42.	Hungary	10		
43.	Iran	4		
44.	Ireland	Nil		
45.	Israel	9		
46.	Italy	39		
47.	Jamaica	Nil		
48.	Japan	4		
49.	Jordan	4		
50.	Kuwait	Very few are in jails		
51.	Latvia	Nil		
52.	Lebanon	180		
53.	Liberia	Nil		
54.	Libya	1		
55.	Macedonia	Nil		
56.	Madagascar	2		
57.	Malaysia	311		
58.	Maldives	32		
59.	Mexico	Nil		
60.	Mongolia	Nil		
61.	Mozambique	Nil		
62	Myanmar	46		
63.	Namibia	Nil		
64.	Nicaragua	Nil		
65.	Niger	Nil		
66.	Oman	22		
67.	Pakistan	1.	Civilian prisoners	883
		2.	Fishermen	245
		3.	Missing Defence personnel	054
68.	Panama	3		
69.	Papua New Guinea	Nil		
70.	Peru	Nil		

1	2	3
71.	Poland	1
72.	Portugal	2
73.	Qatar	36
74.	Russia	4
75.	Saudi Arabia	1160
76.	Seychelles	Nil
77.	Serbia and Montengro	Nil
78.	Sierra Leone	Nil
79.	Singapore	43
80.	Solomon Islands	Nil
81.	South Africa	6
82.	Sri Lanka	60
83.	Sudan	Nil
84.	Swaziland	Nil
85.	Sweden	Nil
86.	Switzerland	1
87.	Tajikistan	Nil
88.	Tanzania	Nil
89.	Thailand	37
90.	Togo	Nil
91.	Tunisia	Nil
92.	Turkey	6 in police custody
93.	UAE	2214 (as of November, 2002) out of which 923 were convicted prisoners and 1291 under-trial prisoners.
94.	Uganda	Nil
95.	Ukraine	2
96.	United Kingdom	258
97.	USA	23
98.	Uzbekistan	Nil
99.	Vanutatu	Nil
100.	Vietnam	Nil
101.	Yemen	Nil
102.	Yugoslavia	Nil
103.	Zimbabwe	Nil
	TOTAL:	5893